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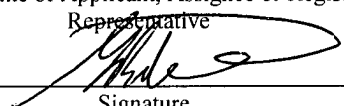
Applicants : Kenten, J. et al.
Serial No. : 09/480,544
Filed : January 10, 2000
For : CYCLING DNA/RNA AMPLIFICATION
ELECTROCHEMILUINESCENT PROBE ASSAY
Group Art Unit : 1634
Examiner : A. K. Chakrabarti

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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action, mailed June 20, 2002 ("Official Action"). A
Response was due on September 20, 2002, however a Petition for a Three-Month's Extension of
Time is herewith submitted hence this response is timely filed. No other fees are required for the